

# Derby

## Connecticut

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*Belongs to*  
New Haven County  
Bridgeport Labor Market Area  
Valley Economic Dev. Region  
Valley Planning Area

Incorporated in 1775

### Demographics

<i>Population (1998)</i>				<i>Race/Ethnicity (1998)</i>			
	<i>Town</i>	<i>County</i>	<i>State</i>		<i>Town</i>	<i>County</i>	<i>State</i>
1980	12,346	761,337	3,107,580	White	10,679	627,554	2,648,212
1990	12,199	804,219	3,287,116	Black	343	82,801	274,213
1998	11,900	790,961	3,271,239	Asian Pacific	150	2,378	73,304
2003	11,743	784,332	3,272,149	Native American	20	1,358	5,952
'98-'03 Growth	-1.32%	-0.84%	0.03%	Other	21	1,278	5,336
				Hispanic (any race)	687	63,019	264,222
Land Area (sq. miles)	4.98	605.79	4,845	<i>Poverty Rate (1990)</i>	6.25%	7.86%	6.61%
Pop./ Sq. Mile (1998)	2,389.56	1,305.67	653	<i>Educational Attainment (1990)</i>			
Per Capita Inc. (1998)	\$21,685	\$23,237	\$27,078	Persons Age 25 or Older	<i>Town</i>	<i>%</i>	<i>State</i>
Households (1998)	4,854	299,905	1,229,087	High School Graduate	3,440	39.9%	648,366
Median Age (1997)	38.5	36.9	37.2	Some College	1,526	17.7%	495,696
				Bachelors or More	1,320	15.3%	597,693
<i>Age Distribution (1998)</i>							
	<i>0-4</i>	<i>5-17</i>	<i>18-24</i>	<i>25-49</i>	<i>50-64</i>	<i>65+</i>	<i>Total</i>
Male	376 7%	934 16%	384 7%	2,392 42%	795 14%	839 15%	5,720
Female	363 6%	867 14%	359 6%	2,321 38%	896 14%	1,374 22%	6,180
County Total	52,870 7%	133,675 17%	69,164 9%	300,354 38%	114,260 14%	120,638 15%	790,961
State Total	216,119 7%	550,400 17%	280,101 9%	1,257,928 38%	499,093 15%	467,598 14%	3,271,239

### Economics

<i>Business Profile (1997)</i>					<i>Top Five Grand List (1997)</i>		
<i>Sector</i>	<i>Firms</i>	<i>% of Total</i>	<i>Emp.</i>	<i>% of Total</i>		<i>Amount</i>	<i>% of Total</i>
Agriculture	7	1.3%	18	0.3%	United Illuminating Co.	\$7,952,430	1.82%
Const. and Mining	105	19.2%	335	6.0%	Antinozzi, Arthur, et al	\$5,310,470	1.22%
Manufacturing	25	4.6%	383	6.9%	Gorsky, Arnold H. & Paul S. Trustee	\$4,236,400	0.97%
Trans. And Utilities	15	2.7%	131	2.4%	Santangelo, Carrie	\$3,470,285	0.79%
Trade	153	28.0%	1,353	24.3%	Yankee Gas	\$3,090,205	0.71%
Finance, Ins. and Real Estate	31	5.7%	173	3.1%	Grand List Total (1996)	\$436,620,750	
Services	202	37.0%	3,080	55.3%	<i>Top Five Major Employers (1997)</i>		
Government	8	1.5%	96	1.7%	Griffin Hospital Inc	Manufacturer Rubber Products	
Total	546	100.0%	5,569	100.0%	Lifetouch National Studios	City Of Derby	
					Derby Cellular Products, Inc		
						<i>Town</i>	<i>State</i>
					<i>Retail Sales (1996)</i>	\$323,096,973	\$30,837,967,729

### Education

<i>1995-1996 School Year</i>				<i>Connecticut Mastery Test Percent Above Goal</i>					
	<i>Town</i>	<i>State</i>		<i>Grade 4</i>		<i>Grade 6</i>		<i>Grade 8</i>	
Total Students	1,512	461,203		<i>Town</i>	<i>State</i>	<i>Town</i>	<i>State</i>	<i>Town</i>	<i>State</i>
Total Expenditures Per Pupil	\$6,779	\$8,300		Reading	46 55	63 60	73 64		
Average Teacher's Salary	\$54,557	\$48,598		Math	47 59	47 52	53 51		
Students Attending Public School	85.3%	89.2%		Writing	25 46	39 46	69 51		
Student/Teacher Ratio	18.7	14.5							
Grads Pursuing Post-Sec. Education	82.1%	75.8%		<i>Average SAT Score</i>		<i>Town</i>	<i>State</i>		
High School Dropout Rate	7.7%	4.6%		Verbal		455	503		
<i>Average Class Size</i>				Math		459	499		
Kindergarten 20.3	Grade 2 26.4								
Grade 5 22.6	Grade 7 27.0	High School 23.3							

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### Government

Government Form	Mayor- Council			Annual Debt Service (1996)	\$2,231,898
				As % of Expenditures	10.7%
Total Revenue (1996)	\$20,560,045	Total Expenditures (1996)	\$20,892,522	Equalized Grand List (1996)	\$654,498,000
Tax Revenue	\$12,564,544	Education	\$9,084,656	Per Capita	\$54,751
Non-tax Revenue	\$1,275,971	Other	\$11,807,866	As % of State Average	70.2%
Intergovernmental	\$6,719,530	Total Indebtness (1996)	\$16,037,491	Date of Last Revaluation	10/ 1/91
Per Capita Tax (1996)	\$1,048	As % of Expenditures	76.8%	Moody's Bond Rating (1997)	A
As % of State Average	73.6%	Per Capita	\$1,342	Actual Mill Rate (1997)	29.60
		As % of State Average	128.9%	Equalized Mill Rate (1996)	17.63
				% of Grand List Com/Ind (1995)	16.0%

### Housing

Housing Stock (1997)	Town	County	State	Sales Price Distribution (1996)	Town	County	State
Existing Units (total)	5,398	339,524	1,374,566	Number of Sales			
% Single Unit	47.7%	57.8%	62.9%	Less than \$100,000	81	6,241	22,254
New Permits Auth. (1997)	33	2,030	9,349	\$100,001-\$200,000	69	4,654	20,713
As % Existing Units	0.61%	0.60%	0.68%	\$200,001-\$300,000	11	1,188	6,600
Demolitions (1997)	0	296	1,193	\$300,001-\$400,000	0	262	2,730
Residential Sales (1996)	161	12,512	56,333	\$400,001 or More	0	167	4,036
Average Price	\$105,864	\$136,734	\$194,596	1996 Characteristics			
Median Price	\$98,000	\$122,000	\$138,000	Owner Occupied Dwellings	2,882	191,583	807,559
				Housing Stock Age - Pre-1950	40.1%	36.0%	33.9%
				Subsidized Housing Units	447	42,124	148,930

### Labor Force

1997	Town	County	State	Commuters (1990)			
Labor Force	6,429	414,075	1,723,300	Commuters into Town from	Town Residents Commuting to		
Employed	5,980	391,311	1,635,400	1. Derby	1169	Derby	1169
Unemployed	449	22,764	87,900	2. Ansonia	1065	Shelton	855
Unemployment Rate	7.0%	5.5%	5.1%	3. Seymour	624	Stratford	700
Total Employment	4,940	354,930	1,581,700	4. Shelton	621	New Haven	556
Manufacturing	500	60,020	265,850	5. Oxford	309	Ansonia	527
'92-'97 Growth Rate	-2.2%	3.5%	4.3%	6. Naugatuck	276	Milford	426
Daytime Population	6,192	371,178	1,740,247	7. New Haven	236	Bridgeport	412
				8. Milford	175	Fairfield	160
				9. Orange	160	Seymour	142
				10. Beacon Falls	145	Trumbull	125

### Quality of Life

Town	State	Library (1996-1997)	Town	Residential Utilities	
Banks (1997)	6	1,378	Total Volumes	44,826	Electric Provider
Lodging (1997)	1	756	Circulation Per Capita	2.7	United Illuminating
Day Care Facilities (1998)	3	1,651			1-800-257-0141
Infant Mortality Rate			Distance to Major Cities	Miles	Gas Provider
Per 1,000 Res. (1995)	0.358	0.099	Hartford	37	Yankee Gas Company
Crime Rate (1996)			Boston	128	1-800-989-0900
Per 1,000 Residents	44.8	40	New York City	64	Water Provider
% Open Land (1990)	40.2%	68.8%	Providence	93	Municipal Provider
					Contact local provider
Hospitals (1997)	1	7			Cable Provider
Total Beds	160	2,462			Tele-Media Company of Western CT
					203-735-9504